GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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MEETING OF STATE TRANSPORT MINISTERS
Pallani Shamy Shri K.C .

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government had convened a meeting of State Transport Ministers recently;

(b) if so, the details of issues on which deliberations were held;

(c) whether the Government is also extending financial assistance to the State Governments to initiate transport reforms; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) The 31st meeting of Transport Development Council (TDC) and 9th meeting of National Road Safety Council

(NRSC) have been held on 22nd September, 2006 at Shimla. Transport Ministers of all State Governments are the members of the TDC and NRSC.

(b) The issues such as overloading, multiplicity of checks on National Highways, National Database for driving licence and registration certificate, promotion of public transport system, mechanical fitness of vehicles and pollution control, removal of encroachments along National Highways, strengthening of institutional mechanism for road safety in States, earmarking 50% of the fines on account of challans on traffic violations for road safety measures were discussed in the above meetings.

(c)&(d) No financial assistance is provided by this Department to the States for transport reforms.